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That all may plainly ſee whoſe work they are doing, that deny the Truth, and perſecute the true worſhippers, who are led by that Spirit that reproves the world of ſin; and knowing the terrors of the Lord, cannot but deal plainly with all men, that they may take warning before it be too late, leaſt they be taken alive in their wickedneſſe, and caſt into the lake of fire.

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The Day manifesting the Night, and the Deeds of Darkneſſe reproved by the Light.

THe prayers of the wicked are an abomination to the Lord, being as unclean as common; for though they draw near in words, and in promiſes, yet the heart is adulterated, and gone after other lovers, far from the *Lord*, and the *Lord* is far from hearing ſuch; their hearts being gone after covetouſneſſe, are Idolaters, and worſhip not the true God, being erred from the free gift of the Spirit, which leads into all Truth; ſo being from Truth in the inward parts, are in the deceit which the Devil leads into, yet they may cry, Lord, Lord, while they are doing Sathans work, but ſuch cannot enter into the Kingdom of God, nor their prayers come before his Throne, being not *in the Spirit which makes interceſſion for the Saints with groanings which cannot be uttered, which is according to the will of God, Rom.*8.26,27. 8.4 and this is it by which the ſons of God are led, out of their own wills, out of their own time, into the will and time of God, who moves both to ſpeak and pray by his Spirit, according to his own will; (Mark) he that teacheth to pray is he that makes interceſſion, who helps the infirmities, and teacheth to pray as we ought; and this is not an infirm man, or men who plead for the infirmity, who know not the Spirit that helps it; neither is it a Book that a man makes and calls a help to devotion, or Books compoſed by the will of men, that can help the infirmity, for then might man in his own will and time, make or compoſe his own help, or the help of others; *But help is laid upon one that is mighty, and vain is the help of man, Pſal.*89.19. who is not led by the Spirit into the Truth, and he or they that are led by it, will labour to bring all others into it, out of all dead works, dead forms, dead helps, and dead worſhips,

knowing all to be but dead to God that is not quickned by his Spirit, which is the *unction from the holy One, whereby we know all things*, *Joh.* 2. 20. (as he pleaseth who reveals them) *for it is the spirit that searcheth the deep things of God*; and also by it is the deep mysteries of Antichrist searched out and known, and his wayes seen which leads men from the gift of God, to mens inventions, forms, imitations, composed good words and fair speeches, whereby the hearts of the simple are deceived, *Rom.* 16. 18. these serve not Christ but their own bellies, leading from the unction least they should be known, keeping people ever learning, that they may be ever paid for teaching, keeping them in that which never brings to the knowledge of the Truth; *for it is the light that shineth in our hearts, that gives the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ*, 2 *Cor.* 4. 6. so this is clear, that is not the way of God, which leads not to the true knowledge of him, who is a spirit, and is known in the Spirit, and worshipped and served in Spirit and in Truth; for that which is not in the Spirit is not in the Truth, and being out of the Truth in the deceit where the Devil is, who is out of the Truth, and so it becomes a false worship in the nature of *Cain* who slew his Brother, and these worshippers being in that nature, would slay all that deny their worship, and persecute them that come not to their Sacrifices; because the old Serpent his enmity is against the seed of the woman, to destroy it where it appeareth, *for there it bruiseth his head*, in denying his worship which is out of the Spirit in the flesh, and there leads people to worship in that nature, in which is the lust that slew the Lamb from the foundation of the world, which is accursed from God, and at enmity with his Spirit, this is the first birth which is of the flesh, *that persecutes him that is born of the Spirit.*

The Scripture saith, *no man can say that Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Ghost*, 1 *Cor.* 12. 3. for flesh and bloud reveals not this, but the Spirit of the Father, and *he that hath not the Spirit is none of his*, and he that hath the Spirit prayeth with it; and not with Books which are mens invented forms, that know not his necessity or want, which would limit him to read another mans words, that it may be never knew his condition, nor that God which he prayes to; and also to joyn in prayer with those

those whose prayer is abomination to God, whose God is the Prince of darkneſſe, which have no inheritance in the kingdom of heaven, neither can ſay that Jeſus is the Lord in Truth, being out of it, though there may be many poor ignorant Creatures, and deceived ſimple hearts, and many that loath the common notorious groſſe wickedneſſe, yet in the common form of prayers all are to joyn together, with the drunkards, whoremonger, thief, ſwearer, and lyar, whoſe Father is the Devil, and covetous, who is an Idolater, the profane, unclean and abominable, whoſe prayers the Lord abhors; and he that is led by the Spirit abhors to joyn with the wicked in their prayers, which is abomination, for he that joyns in abomination is guilty thereof, for they which joyned with thoſe who put Chriſt to death, were guilty of his bloud, and ſo are they that joyn with thoſe who crucifie the Lord ſpiritually in *Sodom* and *Egypt*, whoſe ſacrifices God abhors, being in that nature which ſlew his ſon. and this ſacrificebeing ſin is a ſervice of the Devil, and thoſe that ſerve the Lord cannot partake of *the Lords table, and of the table of Devils*, 1 *Cor.* 10,2 . for that which is offered in the Gentiles nature is not a ſacrifice to God, and *Paul* ſaith, *that the things which the Gentiles ſacrifice they ſacrifice to devils, and not to God*; and they that ſacrificed with them had fellowſhip with them; therefore *Paul* warned them *not to have fellowſhip with Devils*, 1 *Cor.* 10. 20. he that commits abomination againſt God, therein ſerves the Devil, and he that joyns in that ſervice muſt receive his wages of that Maſter; and had it not been a moſt wicked thing for thoſe Gentiles, to have compelled them whom God had gathered into his Church, (who worſhipped him in Spirit) to have come and been partakers with them in their ſacrifices to Devils, you may be ſure, that thoſe who were the faithfu ſervants of God, would firſt have ſacrificed their own lives' and alſo it had been a great evil, if the true believers (who were ſeparated from the *Idolaters*) ſhould have forced theſe Idolaters to partake with them in their holy things, or conform to the form of their worſhip, for that had been but to make them the greater ſinners, becauſe it would have added hypocriſie to unbelief and idolatry, being out of the faith, what they did was ſin; and ſo they who were ſeparated from

them in this, would have been guilty of their sin, which the Church in God never was, nor ever will be, *for it is the Spouse, the Lambs wife*, that cannot joyn with harlots, nor compell harlots to joyn with her, but as the whore hateth the right vertuous woman in her heart, (and yet will commend vertue) while she labours to draw from it, and would rejoyce if she could bring others into her state; but were it not sad if she should have power to compell? for it was yet ever the worse that would have forced the better, it is the harlot that would force the virgin, which hath caused her to lay down her life that she might keep her virginity.

But it is the virgin that dwels in the love of God, and in that love labours, that others may come to taste of it, and it is that which will constrain them that taste of it, to deny themselves and their former lovers, and so come to be taught by his grace, *to deny all ungodlinesse and worldly lusts, and to live righteous and holy in this present world*, the wise man saith, *Cant.* 1.3,4. *Because of the savour of thy good ointments, thy name is as ointment poured forth, therefore do the virgins love thee*; and again, *Draw me, we will run after thee*; but where there is no vertue to draw, there the Lord dwells not; and those are they that would by power force to their worship, and cause as many as will not worship the image thats set up, to be persecuted or killed, and those that kill or persecute others who worship not with them, are not of God; Let them be called by what name or Title soever, to great *Babylon* they belong, and are of that great City, *in which was found the blood of the Prophets and Saints, and of all that were slain upon the earth, Rev.* 18.24. So that it is clear, the false Church, the whore, that is she that drinks Mark, *all the blood of the Saints and Martyrs of Jesus, that is slain upon the earth*; now see whether persecuting and killing for Religion and Conscience sake, be not a true mark of the whore, or false Church, in which all the blood is found; and also it doth appear, that the true Church, the Spouse of Christ is clear from blood; who are neither fighters nor killers, for if they were fighters and persecuters, they might be killers, and then there might be blood found among them, but it is all found in *Babylon*; therefore come out of her all ye that desire peace and righteousnesse, *and be ye separate saith the Lord, and touch*

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not the unclean thing, and I will receive you, 2 Cor. 6. 17.

And be it known unto all people that dwell upon the face of the whole Earth, that the Lord our righteousness is risen in his mighty dread and everlasting Power, and is seen and felt in the light, in this his great day and manifestation of himself in *Spirit*, according to the Word of his holy Apostle, who declared of his comming *the second time without sin, unto Salvation to all those that wait for him*, and we who have waited for him in his Light, the manifestation of his spirit, (out of all our own Performances, Righteousness, Strength, Wisdome, Dead Formes, Dead Ordinances, which are but inventions from the Letter.) I say to us he is come, and we who are called, chosen, and faithfull are his witnesses, and follow him whether ever he goes, as every one in his measure comes to be redeemed into the Lambs nature, and therefore can neither swear nor fight to destroy mens lives, for they which do such things know not what manner of spirit they are of; for in the second Covenant there is no destroyer of the Creation of God, but all together redemption and restoration is known there, and there is the blessing witnessed where all things are clean and pure, it being all the work of his own hands, and he saw that it was good and blessed it.

Now all people upon the face of the whole Earth who have not known his second coming in spirit and power (who worketh all our works in us and for us) they are all in their own works, in their own righteousness, in their own worships, worshipping they know not what; some Stocks, some Stones, some the Sun, some the Moon, and all of them their own inventions, imaginations, and conceivings, *for he was in the World, and the World was made by him, and the World knew him not, Joh. 1. 10.* Notwithstanding all their wisdome, and the Testimony of his Prophets, and also the holy Scriptures, yet they knew him not, though *he came to his own, yet his own received him not, Joh. 1. 11.* because they knew him not, who also preached the Kingdome of Heaven to them, *Saying it was at hand, it was come nigh unto them, it was in them*, this was and is a great mystery, *yea the wisdome of God in a hidden mystery, which none of the Princes of this World knew, for had they known it*

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(mark) *they would not have Crucified the Lord of Glory*, 1. *Cor.* 2. 7, 8. That which was and is they knew not, though within them, yet in it they believed not, though it testified of the Father, being the Word in the heart in the mouth, that they should hear it and do it, he that heard it heard him, he that continued in it, was a Disciple indeed, knew the truth, and was in the truth, which made him free, *Joh.* 8. 31, 32 But where it was denyed, not believed, had no place, they it were that went about to kill him, *Joh.* 8 37. (and they it are that persecute him now) whom they know not, though they may be the wise disputers of this World, to whom the wisdome of God is hid in a mystery, which the wisdome of man could never find out in any age, nor never shall; Yet it is made manifest to his Saints, *to whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery amongst the gentiles, which is Christ in you the hope of Glory*, *Col* 1. 26, 27. and he in whom this hope is revealed *purifieth himself even as he is pure*, *Gal.* 1. 16. And this is he that consults not with flesh and blood, but with the Son of God who is revealed in him; who is that one seed to which the promises were made, *and to thy seed which is Christ ? Gal* 3. 16. And this is the seed that the Red Dragon makes war against, *Rev.* 12. 17. *that keeps the comandements of God, and have the Testimony of Jesus Christ*, and cannot bow nor worship any thing, but only him that made Heaven and Earth, the *Sea* and the Fountains of waters, *Rev.* 14. 7. And for this cause we suffer, and are reproached all the day long, reviled and percecuted, and are as sheep appointed for the slaughter, *here is the patience of the Saints, here are they that keep the commandements of God and the faith of Jesus*, *Rev.* 14. 12. and these are they that see the vanity of that worship that teacheth, for doctrines the comandements of men, *Mat.* 15. 9. and those worshippers draw nigh to the Lord with their mouth, and honour him with their lips, but their heart is far from him; and this is a vain worship, and all that are come to worship God in the Spirit cannot bow to this vain worship, which is the invented formes of mans wisdome, who have invented several forms of service for several dayes, and particular parts, for particular places, and some parts for particular Jestures of the Body,

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and also divers habits for their divers Orders of Teachers; all which and much more not mentioned, came in since the Primitive time, in the dark night of apostacy and falling away from the gift of the Holy Spirit; for Christs Ministers were (and are) Ministers of the gift of God, and as every one had received, so they were to Minister, *as good Stewards of the manifold grace of God*; but mans Ministers or Ministers made by the will of men, are Ministers of the manifold inventions of those who have erred from the spirit, and strayed from the shepherd and Bishop of their Souls; and when men take from them that which they before gave them, their Ministry endeth; so man puts them up (and orders them what to pray and what to say and doe) and man puts them down, if they conforme not to them and their will; and gives them other orders and directions what to say and do, which most part obey, and those who do it not, they put out and find those that will; and this Ministry made by man, changes as the Governments and Powers of the Earth change.

But the Ministery of Christ stands in the Power of an endless life, and changeth not, for Christ changeth not, who is the endless power that his ministery stands in, whose Government changeth not, but of the increase thereof there is no end, 2 *Timothy* 3. 5. and that Ministery which stands in the form without the Power is to be denyed and turned from, though it were a form of Godliness, for it is unprofitable and cannot edifie the body of Christ, being out of the power, are out of the truth, though they may be ever Teaching, and the people ever hearing, *yet can never be able to come to the knowledge of the truth*, 2. *Tim* 3. 7. for how can they bring others to the knowledge of that they themselves know not? therefore unprofitable and do but deceive themselves and others, yet many of the people Love to have it so, and so let them have it, it is the portion they have chosen; but those who have chosen the Lord, do not love to have it so, for he is their portion, and they are his, and all those who go about to restrain them from their worship of him in spirit and in truth, will bring swift destruction upon their own

heads, and if so great judgment shall fall upon those who doth but offend one of these little ones (who have chosen the Lord to be their Teacher,) what shall become of them that persecute and kill them, for following the Teachings of the spirit of the living God who made Heaven and Earth? shall not the Lord avenge his own elect, that cry day and night unto him? yea he will avenge their cause, and that speedily, when they have filled up the measure of their sufferings, and their enemies the measure of their wickedness, which they are doing apace, in Imprisoning the innocent, because they will not break the commands of Jesus, but this is our joy (whom you scorn and call Quakers) we know whom we serve, and for whom we suffer, and also you shall in a little while know whom you persecute; you may know now if you will but make search that we are such who have done you no wrong, and as we abide in the truth we never shal, for truth wrongs no man, but they that are out of it are they that wrong us, and also their own souls; Oh that they did but know what they did, that a persecuter might become a sufferer for his sake, (whom once he knew not) he that flesh and blood cannot reveale; but once being revealed within, persecution soon ceaseth, and no more consulting with flesh and blood, but with him who hath revealed himself within, who saith *learn of me for I am meek and lowly in heart, Mat.* 11. 29. *who came not to destroy mens lives but to save*; and when his Disciples would have had Fire to come down from heaven, upon those that would not receive him, he reproved them and told them *they knew not what manner of spirit they were of*; but he that cometh to that measure of Gods spirit in himself, by that knows what spirit he acts by, for the fruits of the spirit of God is *Love, Joy, peace long-suffering, Gentleness, &c.* But the works of the flesh is Idolatry, Witch-craft, Hatred, wrath, strife, envyings, and Murthers, this is the fruit of the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience, and by it they were led, that spared the murtherer, and crucified Jesus, and this is the spirit that in this age leads such who spares the fighters, and swearers, and drunkards, the prophane and abominable, &c. and afflict, punish,

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and imprison those who are found in the well doing, because they cannot submit to their wills, and break the commands of Jesus; by this the evil doer is incouraged, and Satans Kingdome strengthened, and contrary to the Ordinance of God, he that doth well is discouraged, and sufferech for his well doing, that is to say, for meeting together in Gods fear, and waiting upon the Lord in the measure of his spirit, in which he is worshipped; and this is the gathering together in his Name, when his Power and presence is felt in the midst, and the dread thereof hath made our flesh to tremble, who appears as a consuming fire against all in us, that is contrary to him, that he may purifie and cleanse us, and prepare himself a habitation fit to dwell in by his spirit.

And this is the day of his mighty power wherein he is performing his promise, and the word of his Prophets, according to the Scripture of truth, which we witness fulfilling and fulfilled in us, who are faithful to the teachings of his holy spirit; and we who have felt and tasted of the mighty power of God, as we are obedient and keep in it, we need not fear the wrath of man, whose breath is in his nostrils, (and the worst he can do is but to kill the body) neither need we fear the Power of darkness, which works in all those that obey not the truth, the light of Christ in their own consciences, the measure of his spirit by which the Sons of God are led; but they it be who obeyed not, that persecute those that obeyed, but we being obedient are kept in the power, in which we are nothing terified by our adversaries, *which is to them an evident token of perdition, but to us of Salvation and that of God*, Phil. 1, 2. 8. 29. *for to us it is given in the behalf of Christ, not only to believe on him, but also to suffer for his sake*, and this is our rejoycing that in our sufferings we have peace with God, and joy in the Holy Ghost, keeping our conscience clear towards God and towards man; and herein we suffer not as evil doers but for the well doing, by those who are in the evil doing, and in the evil doing they please the devil, which they may know and see daily by the rejoycing of his Servants; how doth the drunkards sing for joy, and also the swearer,

and curſer, railer, and fighter, and they think it not enough to ſee us haled to Priſon and perſecuted by thoſe who pretend authority, but theſe vile wretches do fall upon us in the high waies as we are paſſing along about our occaſions, to or from our meetings, and there they have beat ſeveral of us till they have even wearied themſelves; and this extremity of the Divels rage, I with others have lately felt by many ſtripes upon our bodyes; but in the patience we are kept by the power of God, and therein to ſhew forth the Lambs nature, *which ſhall overcome*, and alſo to let them ſee what nature they are of, who beat & fight, perſecute and kill, this is the nature of *Cain* who ſlew the innocent, and this is his nature which now perſecutes, beats, and ſlayes the Lambs of God, but the new nature is that which ſuffers and comes thereby to be made perfect, but the other are filling up their meaſures of Iniquity, and fitting themſelves for deſtruction, which is prepared for them and ready to be poured out; when they think themſelves moſt ſecureſt, then ſudden deſtruction cometh and they ſhall not eſcape; for God will avenge our cauſe which we have commited to him, upon the heads of all our enemies; for there is none neither in Heaven nor in Earth, that we can petition or requeſt or bow our knees to, but to the Lord God Almighty, by whoſe power we draw our breath, in whom is our life and being, who hath created us for this purpoſe, and raiſed us up to glorifie him, whoſe we are, and in whom our life is hid, that the World ſeeth it not, neither knows it; for if they did, they would not perſecute and ſeek to ſlay it, but when our life ſhall appear they that laugh now ſhall howle, and they that ſcoff now ſhall lament bitterly, and all our enemies faces ſhall gather blackneſs, becauſe they be found fighters againſt the Lord, and his ſpiritual appearance in his people; and if the blaſphemy againſt the holy ſpirit is never to be forgiven, what ſhall the puniſhment of thoſe be who fight againſt it, and ſeek to deſtroy thoſe in whom it appeareth, and for no other cauſe but for the perfect obedience of it?

How many this day lieth in Priſons, Dungeons, and ſtinking

ſtinking holes, for the Teſtimony of a good Conſcience, *and keeping the commands of Jeſus*, notwithſtanding the word of a King; for they that fear not God, they it be that honour not the King, but violate his word, making it appear that neither the honour of their King, nor the fear of deſtruction will reſtrain *Cains* nature from perſecuting; but it is not for the Kings honour nor ſafety to put ſuch in Authority who fear not God, nor regard his word in whoſe Name they Act; for to act that in his Name which he hath declared againſt, is a diſhonour to him, and a diſgrace to the Government, which things have been and are daily acted againſt us, who being met together in the fear of God upon the firſt day of the week, have been haled out and carryed to Priſons, but thoſe who meet to drink, ſport and be drunk, can be ſuffered and go unpuniſhed; let ſuch Magiſtrates conſider who they Rule for, whether for God or the Devil, they that incourage Godlineſs Rule for God, and they that encourage wickedneſs are againſt God, and the good and well being of the people of the Nation, and God is againſt them, and they ſhall not eſcape unpuniſhed.

For yet a little while and our deliverer cometh, who will plead our cauſe in the ſight of all Nations, that they which are a far off may ſee and hear of his wonderous works, and the Nations round about may tremble at the operation of his Power; for the mighty day of the Lord draweth nigh, dreadfull and terrible, and who may abide his coming, who will render vengeance againſt all that obey not the truth, even the Goſpel of everlaſting ſalvation, which is now ſounded forth in *England*, and is paſſing, and to paſs thorow all Nations, *ſaying fear God and give glory to him, for the hour of his Judgement is come, and worſhip him that made Heaven and Earth, the Sea and the Fountains of water*; For the declaration of Gods everlaſting truth in theſe Nations hath left all without excuſe, and the witneſſe of God in their own conſciences doth teſtifie againſt them that obey not the truth, but obey unrighteouſneſs, *and his Servants they are whom they obey, whether of ſin unto death, or of righteouſneſs unto life eternall*;

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and let all people to whom this ſhall come, conſider their doings and whoſe work they are doing; for verily your reward will be according to your work, and this I teſtifie from the word of truth, and it ſhall ſtand for ever, all that are not in the light which Chriſt hath enlightened them withall are in darkneſs, and are doing the works of darkneſs, and let them profeſs what they will, darkneſs is their reward, but all who are in the light, are in that in which God works, being the children of the day, the children of light, whoſe inheritance is with all Saints in the light, this is their portion they have choſen it, and the faithfull who continue to the end, the Crown of everlaſting Glory is their reward.

Written by one who witneſſeth the Deliverer come to Sion, *whoſe joy is in that love which would that all men ſhould come to the knowledge of the truth and be ſaved.*

Morgan Watkins.

THE END.